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In re Application of

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: DECISION ON PETITION
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This is a decision on the renewed petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed July 7, 2004, to revive the above-identified application.

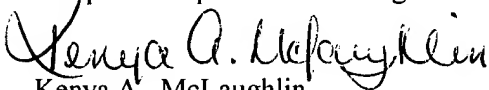
The renewed petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-cited application became abandoned for failure to reply in a timely manner to the non-final Office action mailed February 26, 2003, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three (3) months. No extension of time pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) was obtained. Accordingly, the application became abandoned on May 27, 2003.

As per the instruction of petitioner, the amendment filed April 2, 2004, with the improper Request for Continued Examination will be considered as the amendment that is responsive to the non-final Office action.

The application is being forwarded to Technology Center 1600 for further processing.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (703) 305-0010.


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